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(U) CALIFORNIA**(U) Redwood City – Authorities Foil Plot to Smuggle Meth Into San Mateo County Jail**

(U) Authorities announced yesterday the arrests of five female inmates at the Maple Street Correctional Center in connection with a scheme to smuggle methamphetamine into the jail. The San Mateo County Narcotics Task Force and the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office Corrections Division launched an investigation about a month ago after corrections staff intercepted several cards and letters that had been dipped in liquefied methamphetamine and mailed to the inmates, the sheriff's office said.

SOURCE: 29 December 2017, [The Mercury News](#)

(U) San Francisco – Car Break-Ins up 26 Percent Over Last Year

(U) Car break-ins continued to be a major problem for many San Franciscans in 2017, as the recorded instances of "larceny-theft from vehicle" is up 26 percent over this time last year. The year-to-date numbers recorded this year are substantially worse than they were at this point in 2016. By the end of November 2016, 22,568 instances of larceny from vehicles had been recorded; this year, that number was 28,395 — a 26 percent rise.

SOURCE: 29 December 2017, [SF Gate](#)

(U) NATIONAL**(U) District of Columbia – US Charges Two Romanians with Hacking Police Cameras**

(U) Washington – The US has charged two Romanian nationals, alleging that they hacked the Washington police department's surveillance cameras days before US President Donald Trump's 20 January inauguration, the Department of Justice said yesterday. Mihai Alexandru Isvanca and Eveline Cismaru were arrested in Romania on 15 December over the incident, which compromised Washington's Metropolitan Police Department camera computers as part of a ransomware scheme, the Justice Department said in a statement. Officials said the alleged conspiracy compromised the city police department's camera computers between 9 and 22 January but did not threaten anyone's physical security.

SOURCE: 29 December 2017, [Reuters](#)

(U) Georgia – CDC and FDA Investigating Possible Nationwide E. Coli Outbreak

(U) Atlanta – The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is investigating a multistate E. coli outbreak. So far, 17 people have been sickened nationwide by the strain known as O157:H7. The Public Health Agency of Canada is also investigating a breakout of E. coli. that officials said originated from romaine lettuce. Preliminary results show that the type of E. coli making people sick in the US and Canada is closely related genetically, meaning the ill people are more likely to share a common source of infection.

SOURCE: 28 December 2017, [Food Safety News](#)

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UNCLASSIFIED//FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY**(U) INTERNATIONAL****(U) Egypt – Gunmen Attack Cairo Church, Killing Eight**

(U) Cairo – At least eight people were killed when gunmen opened fire on a Coptic Orthodox Church in Cairo today, a church spokesman said, in the latest in a series of attacks on Egypt's Christian minority. Coptic Christians make up about 10 percent of Egypt's population of 96 million. No group has claimed the attack, but experts believe it is the work of ISIS.

SOURCE: 29 December 2017, [The New York Times](#)

(U) Turkey – Turkish Police Stage Early Morning Raids On Suspected ISIS Fighters

(U) Istanbul – Turkish police have detained over 200 suspected Islamic State of Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS) militants in a series of dawn raids over the past two days in Istanbul and Ankara. The state-run Anadolu agency said some of those arrested today were suspected of planning New Year's Eve attacks in the country; the majority of them were foreigners.

SOURCE: 29 December 2017, [The Guardian](#)

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